

Dales, R.E., Zwanenburg, H., Burnett, R., and Franklin, C.A., "Respiratory Health Effects of Home Dampness and Molds Among Canadian Children," American Journal of Epidemiology 134: 196-203, 1991.

The authors report that "prevalences of all respiratory symptoms were consistently higher in homes with reported molds or dampness; i.e., adjusted odds ratios ranged from 1.32 (95% confidence interval 1.06-1.39) for bronchitis to 1.89 (95% confidence interval 1.58-2.26) for cough." They suggest that "the prevalence of home dampness or molds, 37.8%, indicates that it is an important public health issue." The reported associations were independent of the age and sex of the child, the number of household smokers, the presence of gas stoves, and the region of residence in Canada.

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